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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it was respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 17 July 2006, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 17 October 2006 to 17 November 2006. The Amendment and Response filed on 24 October 2006 included a paragraph on the fax cover sheet which authorized this extension of time. Therefore, Applicants believe that no additional fee is due at this time.

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